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Mr. Thomas Geishecker
U. S. EPA Region 5
Emergency Response Branch
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Clinton Chemicals Site

Dear Mr. Geishecker,

This letter is in response to your November 22, 2004 letter to Mr. C. Nederveen of Diosynth Inc. regarding the Clinton Chemical site. This letter was received by Diosynth Inc. on November 29, 2004.

Please be advised that Mr. Nederveen is no longer in the USA and, therefore, all correspondence related to this case should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Robin Hall at Akzo Nobel Inc., 525 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, IL 60607.

Upon receipt of your letter, I contacted Mr. Tom Turner in the US EPA Office of Regional Counsel to discuss the above noted matter and to determine if it is possible to obtain some information that could help us to evaluate the case. We currently do not possess any information that can confirm Diosynth is a PRP and or a major contributor in the above noted case. Therefore, we kindly request the opportunity to review all relevant EPA files which contains information related to this case; specifically any information relative to Diosynth's status as a PRP.

As I indicated during my conversation with Mr. Turner, we are unable to make a commitment to participate in any PRPs program/activities or assume any liabilities associated with the Clinton Chemical site at this time due to the absence of information or knowledge about the case. Thus, we make the above request to review applicable files.

To expedite this matter, we would like to meet with the US EPA in Chicago (where the data/information is presumed to be available) to discuss the case.

Please be aware that Diosynth is a conscientious Company and is not trying to overlook their responsibility related to this matter. We will give our prompt attention to this case.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any question regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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